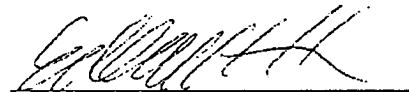


REMARKS

The Applicants respectfully submit that a response to the rejections of the claims in an Office Action dated August 25, 2004 need not be made by the Applicants since the Office Action is incorrectly directed to original claims 1-31, instead of the currently pending claims 1, 13, 15, 17 and 32-40. Record is made of a telephonic conference on November 26, 2004 between Applicants' attorney Edmond A. DeFrank and Examiner L. Nguyen. The clerical error by the USPTO that caused the examination of the wrong claims was discussed. Namely, a preliminary amendment was filed on November 15, 2003 amending claims 1, 13 and 17, canceling claims 2-12, 14, 16 and 18-31 adding new claims 32-40. The Examiner stated that the August 25, 2004 Office Action would be withdrawn in response to the above statement by the Applicants and a new Office Action addressing current claims 1, 13, 15, 17 and 32-40 would be sent by the Examiner at a later date. Additionally, in an effort to further the prosecution of the subject application, the Applicant kindly invites the Examiner to telephone the Applicant's attorney at (818) 885-1575 if the Examiner has any questions or concerns.

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